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NEBRASKA 2019 ANNUAL CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY

LINCOLN, Neb. January 10, 2020 - Corn for grain production in Nebraska based on year-end surveys is estimated at 1.79 billion bushels, down slightly from 2018, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Yield of 182 bushels per acre is down 10 bushels from last year. Farmers harvested 9.81 million acres of corn for grain, up 5 percent from 2018. **Corn for silage** production is 4.60 million tons, down slightly from last year. Silage yield of 23.0 tons per acre is up 2.0 tons from last year. Corn for silage harvested acreage of 200,000 acres is down 20,000 acres from last year. Corn acreage planted for all purposes is 10.1 million acres, up 5 percent from last year.

Soybean production for 2019 totaled 283 million bushels, down 13 percent from 2018. Yield, at 58.5 bushels per acre, is up 0.5 bushel from a year earlier. Area for harvest, at 4.84 million acres, is down 13 percent from 2018. Planted acreage totaled 4.90 million acres, down 13 percent from last year.

Sorghum for grain production in 2019 is estimated at 12.1 million bushels, down 24 percent from 2018. Yield, at 93.0 bushels per acre, is down 1.0 bushel from a year earlier. Area harvested for grain, at 130,000 acres, is down 24 percent from 2018. **Sorghum for silage** production is 600,000 tons, up 173 percent from last year. Silage yield of 10.0 tons per acre is down 1.0 ton from last year. Sorghum for silage harvested acreage of 60,000 acres is up 40,000 acres from last year. Sorghum acreage planted for all purposes is 200,000 acres, down 30,000 acres from last year.

Alfalfa hay production, at 3.61 million tons, is down 1 percent from a year earlier. The average yield, at 3.80 tons per acre, is down 0.50 ton per acre from 2018. Area harvested, at 950,000 acres, is up 12 percent from 2018. **Alfalfa haylage and greenchop** production, at 205,000 tons, is up 105 percent from last year. Average yield, at 4.10 tons per acre, is up 0.10 ton per acre from last year. Area harvested, at 50,000 acres, is up 25,000 acres from last year. **Seedings of alfalfa** during 2019 totaled 140,000 acres, up 20,000 acres from a year earlier.

All other hay production, at 2.48 million tons, is down 26 percent from last year. The average yield, at 1.65 tons per acre, is down 0.15 ton per acre from last year. Area harvested, at 1.50 million acres, is down 19 percent from 2018. **All other haylage and greenchop** production, at 145,000 tons, is up 42 percent from last year. Average yield, at 5.80 tons per acre, is down 1.00 ton per acre from last year. Area harvested, at 25,000 acres, is up 10,000 acres from last year.

Proso millet production in 2019 is estimated at 3.29 million bushels, up 27 percent from last year's production. Yield, at 31.0 bushels per acre, is down 1.0 bushel from a year earlier. Area

harvested for grain, at 106,000 acres, is up 31 percent from 2018. Area planted, at 115,000 acres, is up 21 percent from last year.

Oil sunflower production in 2019 is 33.8 million pounds, down 1 percent from last year. Yield, at 1,300 pounds per acre, is down 120 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 26,000 acres, is up 8 percent from 2018. Area planted, at 28,000 acres, is up 12 percent from last year. **Non-oil sunflower** production of 11.1 million pounds is down 17 percent from last year. Yield, at 1,300 pounds per acre, is down 100 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 8,500 acres, is down 1,000 acres from 2018. Area planted, at 9,000 acres, is down 25 percent from last year.

Sugarbeet production is estimated at 1.07 million tons, down 24 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 25.4 tons per acre, down 6.5 tons from the previous year. Acres harvested are estimated at 42,100 acres, down 5 percent from the previous year. Area planted, at 44,000 acres, is down 1,500 acres from last year.

Dry edible bean production is estimated at 1.88 million cwt with a yield of 1,940 pounds per acre. Area harvested is estimated at 97,000 acres with total acreage planted of 120,000 acres. Beginning in 2019, chickpeas are excluded from the dry edible bean estimates.

Dry edible pea production is estimated at 667,000 cwt, down 26 percent from 2018. Yield is estimated at 2,300 pounds per acre, up 460 pounds from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 29,000, down 41 percent from a year ago. Total acreage planted is 31,000 acres, down 47 percent from last year.

Potato production is 9.46 million cwt, up 2 percent from 2018. Yield, at 480 cwt per acre, is unchanged from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 19,700 acres, is up 400 acres from 2018. Area planted, at 20,000 acres, is up 500 acres from last year.

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